

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 011750  
ORIGIN HA-05

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 NEA-10 IO-13 ISO-00 INSE-00 VO-05  
CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 /053 R

DRAFTED BY HA:JCHAVCHAVADZE:CAF  
APPROVED BY HA:JLCARLIN  
NEA/IRN - M. GREENE  
NEA/ARN - D. REUTHER

-----026408 170259Z /63

P 162349Z JAN 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO USMISSION GENEVA PRIORITY  
INFO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN PRIORITY  
USINT BAGHDAD PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY ANKARA PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 011750

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, IR, IZ

SUBJECT: UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE ON KURDISH REFUGEES

REF: (A) TEHRAN 476; (B) TEHRAN 10957

1. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO CHECK WITH UNHCR TO DETERMINE  
IF AN APPEAL FOR A THIRD MOVEMENT OF IRAQI-KURDS FROM IRAN  
IS BEING SOUGHT BY UNHCR AS NOTED IN REFTEL A.

2. IF UNHCR/GENEVA IS CONSIDERING SUCH AN APPEAL, DEPT.  
WOULD APPRECIATE DETAILS INCLUDING NUMBER AND CIRCUM-  
STANCES OF KURDISH REFUGEES FOR WHOM UNHCR IS SEEKING IN-  
TERNATIONAL RESETTLEMENT, AND SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LIST OF  
KURDS REGISTERING WITH UNHCR MENTIONED IN REFTEL A. THE  
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 011750

UNHCR'S RATIONALE FOR SEEKING INTERNATIONAL RESETTLEMENT  
FOR IRAQI-KURDS PRESENTLY IN IRAN WOULD BE NEEDED AS WOULD  
FURTHER DETAILS AS TO THEIR SITUATION IN IRAN TO ENABLE  
THE DEPARTMENT TO REVIEW THIS MATTER WITH CONCERNED COM-  
MITTEES OF CONGRESS, THE IMMIGRATION SERVICE, AND THE  
VOLUNTARY AGENCIES.

3. NO COMMITMENT FOR USG PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO RESETTLE KURDS CAN BE MADE WITHOUT THE CONSULTATIONS MENTIONED ABOVE. HOWEVER, SHOULD AN APPEAL

FROM UNHCR/GENEVA BE RECEIVED, IT WOULD BE GIVEN CAREFUL AND SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION IN THE DEPARTMENT.

4. FROM TIME TO TIME GENERAL BARZANI HAS EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT WE WOULD ACCEPT ADDITIONAL KURDS. TO DATE NEITHER BARZANI NOR ANY OTHER KURDISH REPRESENTATIVE HAS FORMALLY REQUESTED FROM THE USG ANOTHER REFUGEE PROGRAM. CHRISTOPHER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 jan 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** REFUGEES, KURDS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 16 jan 1978  
**Decaption Date:** 01 jan 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 20 Mar 2014  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1978STATE011750  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** JCHAVCHAVADZE:CAF  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D780024-0022  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1978/newtext/t19780158/aaaabwwq.tel  
**Line Count:** 74  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** e78663e3-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ORIGIN HA  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** 78 TEHRAN 476, 78 TEHRAN 10957  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 24 may 2005  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 3766414  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE ON KURDISH REFUGEES  
**TAGS:** SHUM, IR, IZ  
**To:** GENEVA  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvwkey:** odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/e78663e3-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Sheryl P. Walter  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
20 Mar 2014  
**Markings:** Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014